



## SHCM (SW) PLES HODGES

United States Navy

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### Senior Enlisted Leader Fleet and Industrial Supply Center Norfolk

Master Chief Ples Hodges is a native of Bessemer, Alabama where he attended Jess Lanier High School. In March of 1982, he enlisted in the United States Navy and attended boot camp at Recruit Training Command Great Lakes, Ill. Following boot camp he attended Ship's Serviceman "A" School in Meridian Miss. Upon completion of "A" school he reported to *USS Coral Sea* (CV-43).

After completing a world cruise and home port change to Norfolk, Va. aboard *USS Coral Sea*, he was advanced to the rank of Petty Officer 3rd Class and completed a Mediterranean deployment.

In 1986 he reported to *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN 69) where he was advanced to Petty Officer 2nd Class and assigned as the supply maintenance supervisor during refueling/complex overhaul (RCOH) upkeep at Newport News Shipyard and Dry-dock Company in Newport News, Va.

In 1987, Master Chief Hodges split-toured to *USS Mount Whitney* (LCC 20), flagship for Commander, Second Fleet, and was assigned duties as the assistant records keeper. He then reported to Mitchel Field, Garden City, N.Y., where he worked as the night shift commissary store officer.

In 1992 he reported back to *USS Mount Whitney* (LCC 20) as a Petty Officer 1st Class and divisional leading petty officer and records keeper.

In 1996, Master Chief Hodges reported to *USS Hayler* (DD 997) as the assistant sales officer, divisional leading petty officer and ROM system supervisor. During his tour he completed two Mediterranean-Persian Gulf deployments and one Persian Gulf deployment. He was advanced to the rank of Chief Petty Officer during that tour in 1999.

In 2000, he transferred to *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower* (CVN 69) as the Sales Division services LCPO. Upon completion of deployment he was temporarily assigned to *USS Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71). There, he was assigned as the assistant sales officer and division LCPO acting in the capacity of a Master Chief Petty Officer. After completion of his temporary assigned duties he reported back to *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower* as the Sales Division LCPO. He was advanced to Senior Chief Petty Officer in April 2001.

In 2005 he reported to Fleet Assistance Team in Norfolk, Va. as team leader after completion of 13 consecutive years of sea duty. He was also advanced to Master Chief Petty Officer. In June 2005 he assumed the duties as the Fleet & Industrial Supply Center Norfolk, Va. Senior Enlisted Leader.

His personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards), Good Conduct Medal (six awards) and several unit and campaign awards.

